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Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please amend the above application as follows.

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 1-13 and enter the following new claims.

--14. A combinatorial weighing apparatus for apparatus comprising:
a dispersing device for the distribution of products to be weighed;
a plurality of weighing containers; and
a plurality of supply troughs arranged alongside one another for feeding the
products from the dispersing device to the weighing containers,
each supply trough having a bottom with a first bottom face and a second
bottom face connected thereto along a first edge which point towards the dispersing
device, the first and second bottom faces being inclined to one another along the first
edge,